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## SPAIN WILL GIVE UP CUBA.

### Only Explanation of Spanish Attitude as Seen From Washington, Today.

### Will Center All Her Strength on Recovery of Philippines. Cervera's Fleet is Located. No Battle Has Been Possible.

#### SPAIN READY TO GIVE UP.

Indications are That She Will Retire From Cuba and Will Turn to Philippines

(Special Dispatch to The Transcript)  
Washington, May 24.—No naval battle has taken place yet, to the best knowledge of officials. But the Spanish fleet of Admiral Cervera has been located. So much is almost certain, although officials are under strict orders to give nothing definite.

The fleet is probably off the coast of Cuba, at some point where our officials have already located it, and where without doubt Sampson knows it to be. The naval battle is confidently expected within a few days.

The signs in Madrid, noted here today, seem to warrant the supposition that there has been a complete change in Spanish plans of conducting the war. The indications point to a relaxation, if not a total abandonment of efforts to conduct the campaign in Cuba.

There is every indication that by giving up the fight in Cuba, there will be possible, according to Madrid plans, concentration of Spanish energy in the Philippines, with a view to retaining them in event of peace being forced upon them.

If this is a correct interpretation of the Spanish attitude, Cervera will make every possible effort to escape Sampson's fleet and in spite of short coal supply reach Spain without a battle. Sampson will use every effort to prevent this.

No news of the arrival of the Oregon at Key West has been given out here.

#### THE ELUSIVE INVASION

When It May Occur With Full Program.

(By Associated Press.)

Washington, May 24.—Next week the administration expects to start the first detachment of the army for Cuba, if the expected victory at sea does not bring the Spanish government to its knees and make it unnecessary to send any large body of troops to Cuba, beyond the "immunes" and the colored troops, who would occupy the island through the rainy season.

The program is to land the army in sections. The 20 transports which have been secured will carry at least 25,000 men, and this will be the total of the first section of the army. The navy department, as soon as the Spanish fleet is disposed of, will afford the necessary conveyance, and also be able to effect a landing for the troops by destroying the fortifications on the shore or effectually shelling any of the Spanish which may gather to oppose the landing of United States troops. When the first installment has been put ashore the transports will return to Tampa or Mobile, and in the meantime the volunteer force at Chickamauga will have been moved down to the coast for embarkation. All arrangements have been made for landing troops on Cuban soil, but the date of departure and the place of landing are necessarily kept secret.

If the Spanish admiral has disappeared the American commanders will have to rely entirely upon the information brought to them by their scouts, and they will undoubtedly pursue the chase, no matter where it leads them. If there is one thing of which the war board is certain it is that the Spanish fleet must be destroyed or driven back to Spain. Otherwise, the military operations against Cuba will continue to be paralyzed. Not only this, but Cervera must be prevented from reaching Havana. In that port he would be a constant and real menace to American interests. He would have to be met by a large and formidable fleet, whose attack would be attended with great danger, as the fortifications at Havana are comparatively formidable, and the enemy is also well provided with torpedo boat destroyers.

It is proposed to call for more troops without regard to state quotas, and the next call will probably involve no preference for the national guard. This is not suggested by any experience the war department has had with the raising of the present volunteers, but it is deemed advisable on account of the large number of young men who have expressed a desire to join the army and who have not hitherto been allied with the state troops. The principal reason for calling for additional volunteers springs from the fact that it is desired to maintain the military force at its present strength.

With 700 Cubans on board, the steamship Florida left Port Tampa for Cuba just a week ago. It arrived at Key West on Thursday.

#### NO BATTLE POSSIBLE YET

Movements of Our Ships Make This Certain

Key West, May 24.—The movements of the United States fleet, which are known here, make it absolutely certain that no battle has yet occurred, but an engagement is expected this week. The Spanish fleet has been definitely located. The hospital ship Solace has been ordered ready for service at a moment's notice.

#### NEW ATLANTIC COAST GUARD

2300 Men Along Coast for Quick Information of Hostile Fleet

Washington, May 24.—After several weeks of work along the entire stretch of the Atlantic and gulf coasts, the navy department has completed the most comprehensive and efficient system for observing the approach of a hostile fleet that has ever been put in operation.

A new bureau has been created for the purpose, known as the coast signal service. The system has the services of 2300 men stretched along the coast from Bar Harbor to Galveston.

These are divided into 34 central stations about 60 to 100 miles apart along the coast. The stations are in turn connected directly by telegraph with the coast signal office of the navy department. Secretary Long projected this plan a month ago and \$75,000 was set aside to establish points of observation along the coast.

#### Arrest of a Suspect.

Tampa, May 24.—J. Castellanos, a young man who arrived from Key West about three weeks ago and who is registered at a hotel as from New York, was arrested by order of General Shafter as a suspected spy. Castellanos has been watched for two weeks. He was plentifully supplied with money, and wrote as many as 100 letters a day. This, together with the discovery that he was travelling under an assumed name, resulted in his arrest yesterday. The case will be thoroughly investigated.

#### A Relief Movement.

Philadelphia, May 24.—The national relief commission held a meeting yesterday and discussed means of caring for the dead and wounded in battle. It was decided to send an appeal throughout the country, and the governors of all the states will be communicated with as soon as possible. The appeal is addressed to the people of the United States and says:

"The primary object of this organization is to aid the United States government in caring for its soldiers, sailors, marines and others who may be disabled by sickness or wounds and to relieve the families of combatants if need should require. To accomplish these ends we call upon all christian and all philanthropic people in the United States, without respect to creed or party, to form auxiliary relief associations."

#### Praise of Bay State Troops.

Lakeland, Fla., May 24.—Drills are proceeding with the usual regularity, and the Second shows a great deal more proficiency than it did in Camp Dewey. Officers and men are becoming soldiers in the strictest sense of the word, and the little corners that conflicted with regular army discipline are gradually wearing off. Regular army officers here say they never saw better material in a militia regiment.

#### Massachusetts to Baltimore.

Boston, May 24.—Governor Wolcott was highly pleased at the reception accorded the Sixth Massachusetts by the citizens of Baltimore Saturday, and sent this telegram to Mayor Malster of that city: "The commonwealth of Massachusetts is profoundly touched by the brotherly and enthusiastic welcome extended by the mayor and citizens of Baltimore to the Sixth Massachusetts, U. S. V. In the name of the commonwealth I beg you to accept her grateful thanks."

In reply the governor has received the following from Mayor Malster: "The people of Baltimore city accept through you for Massachusetts the kind words contained in your dispatch to me. I trust the event in the future will occur to lessen the high regard and friendship now entertained by the citizens of Massachusetts and Maryland for each other. The brotherly heartthrobs of Massachusetts reverberate in the hearts of the true sons of Maryland. I extend to you the heartfelt thanks of the citizens of Baltimore for your kind expressions."

#### Water Not Good.

Camp Alger, Va., May 24.—The Sixth Massachusetts regiment passed a very busy day in camp, which is now in first-class shape, barring the one item of water supply, and the men are rapidly rounding into shape after their long trip by train. The only disadvantage they feel is the unusual warmth, for which they are overland. The water that the men are compelled to drink is of the poorest quality.

#### SECRET ORDERS TO CERVERA

Many Conflicting Dispatches in Regard to His Fleet

Madrid, May 24.—A dispatch from Havana says there are 19 American vessels before Havana now. Secret orders have been given Cervera of the course to pursue in event the Americans cut the cable between Cuba and Spain.

At noon it is officially announced that the squadron under Cervera was still at Santiago yesterday.

New York, May 24.—A Key West correspondent of the World telegraphs that he has information from unimpeachable authority that the Spanish fleet is still at Santiago.

Port Au Prince, May 24.—According to current rumors Cervera's squadron sailed from Santiago yesterday, destination unknown.

London, May 24.—There are persistent rumors that the American squadrons have destroyed the Spanish Cape Verde fleet in the Winward passage. Dispatches from Kingston, however, say nothing is known there.

#### Cadiz Fleet May Have Sailed

London, May 24.—A dispatch from Madrid says no news is allowed to go outside Cadiz. Although it is announced that Admiral Camara has started to rejoin his fleet, officials would not be surprised to learn that his fleet had already left westward, and that these stories were for a blind.

#### A Spanish View.

Madrid, May 24.—In the senate Monday Senator Cende, professor of international law at the Madrid university, warmly denounced what he was pleased to term "the base proceedings" of the United States, declaring that if Washington authorized such acts "it did not deserve the name of a civilized government." The professor then proceeded to unfold a lengthy indictment of the war methods of the Americans, insisting that they have shown "no respect for the rights of peoples in the capture of merchantmen and bombardments," reiterating that the acts of the United States "are not those of a civilized country."

#### Earthquake or What?

Key West, May 24.—The officers of one of the cruisers which arrived here yesterday say that while off Cape San Antonio (the western extremity of Cuba), Sunday afternoon, a terrific explosion was heard from the direction of the shore, but apparently many miles away. There was an upheaval of water all about the ship and the cruiser herself vibrated with the shock from stem to stern. Many are inclined to think that the phenomenon was an earthquake. There are no batteries near enough to Cape San Antonio to account for a detonation of such violence, and it is thought that if any naval disaster had occurred news of it would have reached here.

Judge Locke, in the United States district court, heard arguments in three of the most important prize cases, those of the Buena Ventura, Miguel Jover and Catalina. A number of counsel appeared, and it was contended on an extended citation of authorities that all three vessels should be condemned as lawful prizes. Arguments against this contention were made by an array of counsel representing the various interests, including the owners of the vessels and their cargoes. Judge Locke reserved decision.

#### General Graham in Charge.

Washington, May 24.—Major General William M. Graham formally assumed command of Camp Alger yesterday. He made a thorough inspection of the camp, paying particular attention to the sanitary arrangements. Seventeen members of the Sixth Illinois are confined to the hospital. The illness of this regiment is due to the exposure of the men while en route to the camp. A hospital corps



GENERAL WILLIAM M. GRAHAM, arrived from Fort McHenry, Baltimore, and will instruct the volunteers how to care for the sick. Today 9050 men are in camp and the total will be swelled tonight to about 12,000. It is expected that the volunteers now in camp will be organized into brigades today.

**4.30**

#### GERMANY BLUFFED.

Counsul Wanted to Land Supplies in Manila. Dewey Said No.

New York, May 24.—A special from Manila says the German consul there tried to land provisions from a German ship, but Dewey refused to permit it. The consul then declared he would force a landing under protection of the two German cruisers there.

Dewey threatened to fire on the cruisers and the attempt to land supplies was abandoned.

The situation in Manila is desperate. Food is scarce, the meat exhausted, and all canned stuff nearly gone. Two weeks will exhaust the available supply. Riots are threatened.

#### Services to Be Simple.

Hawarden, May 24.—The body of Mr. Gladstone, uncoffined, is lying on a couch in the library of Hawarden castle—the room called the temple of peace. Today it will be viewed by the parishioners. The coffin will be placed in the center of the nave of Hawarden church Wednesday and lie there in state until 5 o'clock in the afternoon, when a procession will be formed and the bier carried to Broughton railway station, where it will be placed upon the train for London.

The family, servants, friends, tenantry and local officials will walk behind the bier, which will be borne by relays of colliers, workmen on the estate, tenants and neighbors. The remains will arrive in London about midnight.

The ceremony will be the simplest possible. There will be no state pageant or flowers; only mourning dress will be worn, and the chief feature will be the representative gathering in Westminster abbey of all classes and institutions in the kingdom. The Prince of Wales and the Duke of York will be among the pall bearers. The Duke of Connaught, the Duke of Cambridge and Prince Christian of Schleswig-Holstein-Sonderburg, will precede the coffin. Political associations will not be represented; but the members of parliament will attend in procession headed by the speaker of the house of commons.

At a meeting of members of the American colony it was decided to send an expression of sympathy to Mrs. Gladstone. The suggestion was made that the United States should erect a monument, each state of the Union contributing a block of stone for the base. A committee was formed, under the chairmanship of Dr. Conwell, to take further steps in carrying out the suggestion.

#### Bay State Legislature.

Boston, May 24.—Governor Wolcott returned to the legislature without his signature the bill for 25 aldermen in the city of Boston and the election also of 50 common councilmen. The governor refused to sign the bill on the ground that the two branches of the city government would be elected and be responsible to identical constituencies. The measure originally passed the house by 125 to 23 and the senate 25 to 5. Action on the veto is delayed until the bill is printed.

The Williams bill for a commission to investigate the conditions of cotton manufacturing in Massachusetts was rejected without debate in the house yesterday.

The bill to provide for the payment of bounties to Massachusetts soldiers from the treasury was passed to be engrossed without material amendment.

The committee on labor reported reference to the next general court of the memorial of T. Jefferson Coolidge and others relative to the condition and prospects of the cotton manufacturing industry in this commonwealth.

The petition and bill of the mayor of Somerville that cities and towns be authorized to extend aid to persons and relatives of persons serving in the war with Spain were recommended to the committees on military affairs and ways and means sitting jointly.

The petition that cities and towns be authorized to negotiate short-term temporary loans in anticipation of moneys to be derived from long-term loans was referred to the committee on cities.

#### News of the Modern Athens.

Boston, May 24.—Governor Wolcott has appointed the four boiler inspectors to Chief Wade's department of the district police. These were authorized by the present legislature, and there are two of the number veterans of the civil war. They are the first two in the list. The appointments are as follows: Everett B. Dyer, Medford; John McGrath, Boston; Joseph D. McNeill, Watertown; Sturgis C. Baxter, Somerville. The appointees are all engineers.

Arrangements are being made for a memorial meeting in honor of Gladstone in Boston at the hour of the public funeral in Westminster Abbey next Saturday. The mayor will preside, there will be appropriate religious exercises and tributes by representative men. There are to be such services also in other cities.

The W. C. T. union of this city has adopted a petition to Secretary Long of the navy department expressing abhorrence to the spirit of vengeance manifested in the warcry, "Remember the Maine," and asking him "to refuse to purchase goods of any kind bearing this motto, and in all ways to discountenance the use of this or any motto calculated to foster the spirit of savagery against which we are contending."

#### Lynched a Brutal Brakeman.

Paducah, Ky., May 24.—Joe Mitchell, colored, an Illinois Central brakeman, who lived here, was hanged by a mob at Rives, Tenn. Mitchell had shoven a white boy tramp off a moving train at Rives, and the boy fell on the track, having both legs cut off at the knees. He lived long enough to tell that Mitchell was his assailant. The brakeman was arrested, and, while being held at the depot to be taken to jail at Union City, Tenn., a crowd gathered and hanged him.

An artist has been instructed to make a copy of the famous picture, "The Battle of Yorktown," which is one of the treasures of the French national gallery at Versailles.

### Special Sale Boys' School Suits

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## OUR NEW YORK LETTER.

The Advance in Prices of Food Products.  
Looks Like Robbery—Chickens and  
Salt Horse—War Crises Grow.

(Special Correspondence.)

All the hardships and unpleasant features of war are not monopolized by those who go to the front. Of course it is well understood that the cost of war must be met by additional taxation, which is paid inevitably by consumers in proportion to the amount of each one's consumption. There is little complaint at the prospect thus spread out before the American people at this time. The patriotism of our people can stand that strain without a murmur. But when, as is at present the case, the prices of many of the necessities of life are increased enormously without any reason and with only the excuse that there is a war there is great and justifiable dissatisfaction. One can see some reason for the advanced prices demanded by merchants for coffee, tea, rice and even sugar, but why flour and other breadstuffs and vegetables should be elevated 20 to 40 per cent it is not easy to understand except on the ground that the hoggeshipness of man is at the bottom of it. The least informed person knows that we produce our own breadstuffs, that we are heavy exporters of wheat, and when the war, the only effect of which is to cut down exportation and keep a larger supply of breadstuffs at home, is made an excuse for raising the price of flour from \$6 to \$8 per barrel there is indignation naturally, and the millers' trust is roundly denounced on all hands. It is the same with meat and potatoes, the former being under the absolute control of a handful of men with headquarters in Chicago. As to potatoes, the masters of the Produce Exchange control absolutely that staple food product—at least in this vicinity. All kinds of cuts of beef are advanced, the additional charge over the prices of a few weeks ago being 2, 4 and 6 cents per pound. Potatoes are selling in this market for \$1.80 per bushel, and the laboring classes, who buy in small quantities necessarily, have to pay at the rate of \$2.50 per bushel.

## YOUTHS' DEPARTMENT.

Why a Chicago Messenger Boy Is Called "Bluffer"—A Six-year-old Patriot.

The highest honor conferred upon a messenger boy is to be appointed to a broker's service. Brokers employ a large number of the boys to take deposits to the bank, as well as checks for enormous sums of money to get certified. Although the boy's company is responsible for the safe delivery of the property, the boy feels in honor bound not to embarrass his company, and during the last four years in Chicago a boy as Chicago but \$5 is reported to have been lost by any one of them.

## Under Heavy Bonds.

Jerry Wilson and Jeffrey Jones, who were arrested for being involved in Sunday morning's stabbing affray, reported in Monday's TRANSCRIPT, were arraigned in police court Monday on the charge of assault with a dangerous weapon, to which they pleaded not guilty. Lawyer John H. Mack of North Adams was present as their counsel. He was not ready to try the cases, which were consequently continued till Friday. The defendants were held in \$2000 each and in default of sureties were taken to jail by Sheriff Richards. In talking about the affair Monday Wilson admitted that he did the stabbing and claimed it was done in self-defense.

## The Piano Reckit.

The price of admission to the piano recital to be given Thursday evening by Albert Lockwood of New York will not be \$1.50 as stated, but 50 cents, 75 cents and \$1. The recital will be given in the opera house under the auspices of the Village Improvement association and the proceeds will be devoted to the work of that body. Mr. Lockwood is an eminent pianist who has appeared in the leading cities of Europe and America, and the recital will be worthy of the attention and patronage of all our music loving people. Those who attend will not only receive the full worth of their money, but will also do a work in which every resident of the village should be interested. The opera house ought to be filled to the doors.

## Cannot Change the Date.

When arrangements were made for the visit of Mr. and Mrs. Calloway of Tuskegee (Ala.) institute, who will be at the Congregational church next Sunday evening, Rev. R. A. Robinson, the pastor, was not aware that the Memorial service at the Methodist church that evening would be a union service. He regrets that the two events are to come on the same evening, but it is too late now to make a change, and in reality the character of the events is such that they can hardly be said to conflict. One is to commemorate the valor of soldiers whose sacrifices made the colored people free and the other is to show the needs of those people and seek aid in the work of elevating them to the true plane of citizenship.

## Care of Soldiers' Children.

Selectman C. G. Sanford, who wrote to the state authorities last week concerning the care of two young boys in Blackinton whose father has gone to the war, has received a reply stating that a bill is now pending in the legislature which provides for the care of needy children whose fathers are in the army. The boys will probably be supported by the town until final action is taken on the bill, and if it is passed they will at once come under its provisions.

## The Benefit Entertainment to be given by the Citizens' band has been postponed from next Thursday evening to Thursday evening, June 2.

Oscar Larson, who is employed in Lilliberte's merchant tailoring establishment, was thrown heavily from his wheel while riding down Chapel hill Sunday and his left shoulder was dislocated. Mr. Larson was rendered unconscious for a short time. He was taken to the office of Dr. Hall, who placed the shoulder in its proper position and Mr. Larson will soon be on his feet again.

At a mission meeting to be held Wednesday evening by the King's Daughters of St. John's church, C. H. Taylor will give a brief report on the diocesan convention in Boston which he attended as a delegate.

N. H. Sabin and family, who spent the winter abroad, will sail for home Wednesday.

Thomas, McMahon, Jr., John Ennis, James Welch and A. A. Biddling moved to Berlin, N. Y., the other day and tried their luck fishing.

Smith of Lee, a Williams student has brought a fine horse and buggy to town.

Representative A. E. Hall, who came home six days ago, is still under the doctor's care, but is slowly improving.

E. P. Hopkins post has engaged the Citizens' band for Memorial day.

E. K. McLaughlin of Albany was in town Monday.

Z. White is painting his house on Arnold street and C. A. Roebuck's house on Cole avenue is also being painted.

Miss Mary Tyler of Lansingburgh, N. Y., is visiting in town.

The monthly business meeting of the Young People's society was held in the White Oaks chapel Wednesday evening.

The Van Vechten prize speaking will take place Wednesday evening in Alumni hall.

Col. A. L. Hopkins of New York was in town Monday.

## BICYCLES IN RUSSIA.

Riders Must Pass Rigid Examinations and Go About Ticketed.

The British Consular Journal says that bicycling is still in its infancy in Russia, the cold weather and snow prohibiting it largely, except in the summer months. There are many very ridiculous rules that are put over the head of the Russian cyclist that would be interesting among a collection of curious and somewhat useless regulations. Not but what we might with advantage apply many more restrictions to our own riders. But the extent to which this sort of petty jurisdiction is carried in Russia must most materially injure her commerce and manufacture in what is today an important article of the world's trade.

No one may ride without first passing sundry examinations in the art, and he must then go about ticketed before and behind with large and unsightly numbers certifying that he is permitted the use of his machine. Some time back ladies were altogether prohibited riding about the streets of St. Petersburg, but this has now been canceled. In spite of all these conditions there seems to be a great opening for bicycles in Russia, for if the government is tardy in giving permits to ride the population are yet more tardy in buying homemade machines, for the very ostensible reason that their manufacturers cannot turn out a good or slightly article. Probably if they are supplied with a good machine and the taste grows government will relax in its laws and regulations to cyclists.

## Championship Pennants.

There used to be a custom in League councils to set aside each year \$100 to be devoted to the purchase of a suitable pennant for the champion club, and the habit of paying this money over direct to the club owners, so that they could purchase the flag themselves, prevailed until a discovery was made that stopped the whole business. It seems that a certain club had won the pennant two years in succession. After the first victory the owners of the "champs" took \$100 from the League and bought a superb pennant on which the year of the triumph was made to appear in large white numerals on a field of red. When the second championship had been won, another \$100 was paid over by the League for another pennant, but this time economy ruled. The owners of the "champs" took their first pennant to a repair shop, had the last number of the year raised one, say, from 1897 to 1898, by substituting an 8 for the original 7, and flung the "new" pennant to the breeze with great ceremony. This clever bit of strategy cost just \$2.85, it is said, whereupon the owners' treasury was enriched by the balance of \$97.15. Somebody tipped the League off, though, and now clubs have to buy their own pennants.—New York Sun.

## English Justice.

According to various reports in foreign papers, the constables in the rural districts of England do not take a man to the lockup when he is found without a lamp or caught riding too fast. They simply halt him politely, take his name and address and report the case. The rider is then formally summoned by the magistrate to appear in court and be fined. If he gives a false name and address or fails to appear, he is hunted up, no matter how hard the task, and made to pay an extra heavy penalty in addition to the original light one. It is related by a London paper that a "bobby" recently saw a careless wheelman enter a shop and leave his bicycle standing against the fence, whereupon the officer locked the wheel to the iron fence by means of a handcuff. After walking along a bit he returned to unlock the wheel when he thought it was about time for the rider to reappear.

## THE HOUSEHOLD.

How to Make Bread and Zwieback—A Pretty Plan for a Window Garden—Holder for Whisk Broom.

That there is a much better grade of bread made and eaten by the majority of people nowadays than prevailed some years ago is a fact that we must all admit. As there are reasons for all of the great and small facts of life, it follows that there must be one for this, and it is readily found in the improved quality of the flour and quicker yeast than our grandmothers were always able to obtain.

There are a few points in breadmaking that many cooks do not appreciate. In cold weather the flour should be warmed and everything connected with the bread should be almost at blood heat. While the old fashioned salt or milk rising unquestionably makes the sweetest and most palatable bread, many women who might do so refrain from making it on account of the length of time it takes to raise it. Compressed yeast, if strictly fresh, will raise in half of the time. Salt rising, if made with potatoes, keeps fresh for a long time; quite long enough, in fact, for any such eatable to be kept on hand. Bread should not be kept over four or five days in warm or moderate weather. It begins to deteriorate and soon develops a form of bacteria that is by no means wholesome. After four days, if there is any bread in the box, it should be sliced and put into the oven and converted into zwieback. For this purpose a very hot oven is required. Let the slices remain until they are a light

## POINT FOR BEGINNERS.

Why Children Keep Their Balance Better Than Adults.

Opinion as to the genius of man is divided between the theories of the two great schools of evolution and creation. Whichever you accept there is no question but that during the development changes have occurred in order that men might be better able to meet new requirements of living as they have arisen. The bicycle is a modern thing, and the natural aptitude of the race for its use is not due to any recent evolutionary change. The notion occurs, how-

ever, that this facility may be derived from some remote ancestry. If we may believe Mr. Darwin, man was once a hairy animal, aboreal in his habits, and it is possible that much enforced negotiation of shaly branches of trees or some similar necessity of the distant past, which made imperative the constant maintenance of equilibrium, instilled into the race an unconscious ability to keep the center of gravity of the body within its base under conditions philosophically similar to those of bicycling. But this question of anthropology aside, it is evident that balancing a bicycle is a natural faculty which does not have to be taught except in the cases of adults whose habits of life have been of a character essentially calculated to starve and defeat the provision of nature. A bright child rarely needs teaching or practice in acquiring the art of riding. Most of the little ones will start off without assistance after two or three trials. It is only grown people, steeped in other ways of the world, who have to be held and pushed off until sometimes the patience of the teacher gets exhausted.—American Cyclist.

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BOXES FOR COMPANY M.

Ladies' Auxiliary Send a Lot of Con-  
veniences to the Boys in Camp.

The Ladies' auxiliary to Company M have been very busy the past week working for the members at camp, and this morning they sent by express a barrel and a large box filled with many good things for the boys. Chief among the articles sent was a small canvas bag for each member of the company. The bag was made with many pockets in which might be carried thread, scissors, needles, court plaster, comb and brush and other like necessities. Each member's name was worked in silk on one bag. They were made by the ladies and required considerable work. The ladies visited the business men and all were generous. Cigars and other luxuries which will please the recipients were contributed. The Ladies' auxiliary will surely win a warm place in the heart of every member of Company M.

G. A. R. Meeting.

A number of the lady friends of the lady friends of the K. of C. of C. will hold a strawberry festival in K. of C. hall Thursday evening. The affair will be by invitation.

The regular meeting of George E. Sayles post, G. A. R. was held Monday evening and as a vote on the "house of lords" question was asked for by the state commander, the local post complied with the request. The result was a unanimous vote to abolish that body. Plans for Memorial Day are now complete.

A Distinguished Guest.

At present Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Plunkett are entertaining Mrs. C. H. Glidden, widow of the late Judge Glidden of Putney, Vt. Mrs. Glidden is an aunt of President William McKinley. It was her husband whom the President always esteemed most highly and after whom it has been said the President patterned his early life. Last Friday afternoon Mrs. W. E. Plunkett held a ladies' party in honor of her guest and the following afternoon the same party took tea at Mrs. C. T. Plunkett's in honor of Mrs. Glidden.

For This Evening.

Regular meeting of the Y. P. S. C. E. at the Congregation house.

Regular meeting of the Renfrew Caledonian club.

Regular meeting of the Catholic Order of Foresters.

Meeting of the promoters of the League of the Sacred Heart at St. Thomas' church.

Supper by the ladies at the Baptist church. At 7.30 the men's social union will meet and new members will be accepted.

The State Road Complete.

The state road with its addition of 500 feet has been completed, and it now extends from the Claiborne line to a point opposite Thomas Tobin's residence. It was completed Monday morning and the road roller was run the entire length of the road to crush all the stones which had gathered on the surface. The work was under the supervision of a state engineer and he says that it was well done. The road roller will be used the rest of the week on Commercial street.

To Open A Barber Shop.

William Norman of Pearl street, who conducts a barber shop on State street in North Adams, is to open a shop on Myrtle street in the front of the room now occupied by the Hub billiard parlors. He will have two up-to-date chairs placed there and Joseph Rivers formerly of this town will take charge with Ernest Norman, assistant. The parlors have been newly painted and papered and present a very neat appearance.

Mr. Greenaway's bakery on Commercial street has been closed and the proprietor is going out of business.

A. E. Onley of Holyoke, organ builder, is visiting E. A. Cadigan of Commercial street.

In court here Monday morning several cases of drunkenness were disposed of and a couple of men were fined for disturbing the peace.

J. Henderson of Lee was the guest of friends in Adams Monday.

A meeting of the veterans of Company M will be held in the Armory this evening. A full attendance of members is requested.

A few of the local Knights of Columbus will go to Troy, N. Y., Memorial day to attend the working of the third degree in that city.

The regular meeting of the A. O. U. W. will be held this evening.

Wait until there is another call for volunteers. The town of Adams will not be the only pebble on the beach then.—Pittsfield Eagle.

T. D. Brown of West street has purchased a handsome new horse for his delivery wagon.

James E. Cadigan has purchased a new market wagon.

Ackermann Bros. of Summer street have purchased a new meat cart.

The American Express company is having its large express wagon painted and will soon have a new horse.

M. Harrington has moved his pop corn stand from the J. L. Barker property on Park street.

Druggist Riley has a new convenience at his drug store on Park street by which he dispenses real lemonade from his soda fountain.

The X Vectors of Elm street defeated the Whitehats at baseball Saturday by a score of 9 to 2.

Another juvenile baseball team has been organized at Renfrew. They are the "Ball Busters" and challenge any team whose average age is 18 years. William Conroy is manager.

Wanted.  
A young girl for light general housework. Inquire 31 Park street, Adams.

WHILE THE WAR LASTS,

All who march, walk or stand, should shake into their shoes Allen's Foot-Ease, a powder. It cures, aches, tired, sore, swollen feet, and makes light or new shoes easy. It absorbs moisture, and prevents chafing, hot, smarting, blistered, sweating feet. All the regular army troops and navy men use it. Volunteers in hot climates can't exist in comfort without it. Allen's Foot-Ease is sold by all druggists and shoe stores, 25c. Sample sent FREE. Address, Allen S. Olmsted, LeRoy, N. Y.

Notice to Public.

Having started in business for myself I am prepared to quote prices on all kinds of building and carpenter work. I was for three years foreman for Contractor Fleming and employ only first class workmen. HENRY BEAUCHAMPEL, Contractor.

The Adams Co-operative Bank

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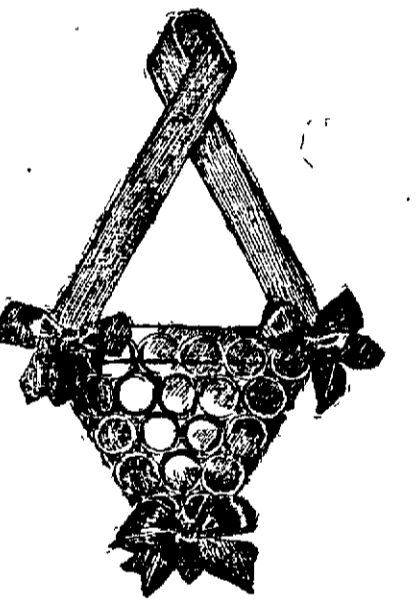
Shares of Series 5 are now on sale and can be had of FRANK HANLON, treasurer, together with any information in regard to borrowing money.

A Pretty Plant.

Forgetmenot is easily cultivated and is one of the prettiest plants for a window garden. It is half aquatic and will thrive in vases of water as well as in pots of earth. All that is needed is to obtain a few cuttings, rooting them either in damp moss or in water, then filling a vase or hanging basket with the young plants, which they will quickly fill with roots and profusely cover with dowering shoots and branchlets, and in a shady window are charming objects. When the plants begin to show signs of fading, fresh cuttings may be started, or the old plants may be pulled to pieces, and the branches already covered with roots formed into new plants by inserting them into a fresh vase or basket.

For a Whisk Broom.

A New York Tribune correspondent sends in the illustration of a neat and novel whisk broom holder and the following description of how to make one just like it: Take brass rings about the



BROOM HOLDER.

size of a quarter, cover with yellow silk, as shown in the illustration, and then yellow ribbons are run through. A pasteboard strip about six inches long and also covered with yellow supplies the flexible back that holds the broom in place.

Beans and Peas.

Every family should eat beans and peas because of all articles they afford the most nutriment for the least money. One bushel of white beans, it has been estimated, will feed more laboring men than eight bushels of potatoes. A pound of cheap meat, say at 10 cents, and a pound of split peas, say 5 cents, will give a fuller dinner to a family than a dollar expended for beefsteak and white bread. A single quart of beans, a half pound of salt pork and a pound of hominy will give a meal to a larger family than a dollar's worth of roast beef, white bread, potatoes and other vegetables.

Vice For Sale.

"Several good religious people," says the Louisville Commercial, "who are accustomed to drive out the Brown-boro road, were considerably shocked the other morning when on passing a blacksmith shop at the edge of the town they were brought face to face with a large sign, 'Vice For Sale Here.' One old lady, who has for years been identified with philanthropic and charitable work, was especially indignant. Purely in the interests of society she undertook to discover just what particular style of evil was for sale. Entering the shop with her nose high in the air, she approached the proprietor. 'Man,' she said, 'I understand you have vice for sale here.' The brawny blacksmith fell back before the incursion of haughtily, offended virtue. 'Yes, ma'am,' he replied weakly. 'I, went on the woman anxiously, 'am a member of the Society For the Suppression of Vice, and I wish to see what form of the deadly sin you have.' The man turned and led the way to the back of the shop, where a steel vice was screwed to a workbench. 'There it is, ma'am, and the very best steel too. It's dead cheap at \$2.50.' She has not yet recovered."

A Fine Morning.

"Fine morning, your worship," affably remarked the man who had been arrested the night before for being drunk and disorderly. "Yes, indeed," responded the justice, "quite a fine morning—in fact, a \$10 fine morning."—Boston Traveler.

HARVARD'S NEW STROKE.

Coach Lehman Causes Surprise by Selecting C. W. Locke, a Freshman.

Coach Lehman the other afternoon caused a ripple of surprise in rowing circles at Cambridge by placing C. W. Locke, who has been rowing a remarkable stroke in the freshman crew, at stroke in the university boat. Higginson, who has been striking in the boat, was moved to No. 2 in place of Blake. Locke took Coach Lehman's eye the first day he saw the freshman crew this fall, but the boy's light weight made it seem as if he would be unable to endure the strain of a four mile race. Locke stroked the varsity in both the trial stretches which were rowed this afternoon. In the first he was so rattled by his rise into fame that he did very poorly, but in the second he came to himself and whipped the crew in behind him in beautiful shape. The stretch was pronounced by the coach a very pretty piece of work.

The new stroke is a small man, a very little larger than Briggs, the Cornell stroke, to whom he is constantly likened. He was taken to the varsity training table and the change, according to the authorities, is permanent. Blake, who has been rowing in the varsity, has been given a day off. The order of new varsity crew was: Stroke, Locke; 7, Biddle; 6, J. E. Perkins; 5, Heath; 4, J. H. Perkins; 3, Lawrence; 2, Higginson; bow, Marvin; coxswain, Plumb.—Philadelphia Press.

TIPS FROM THE BAT.

Lajoie made 22 hits, with 29 totals, in his first 11 games.

Ball players who have faced Hughes, Baltimore's wonderful pitcher, say he is a second Rusie.

It is probable that before long all the infielders in the Eastern league will wear shin guards, a la Steinfeldt of Cincinnati.

Rusie, who is less disposed to complain than any other pitcher in the major league, says there is room for improvement in the decisions of some of the umpires on balls and strikes.

Umpire Lynch rigidly enforced the other day the rule which compels a pitcher to keep both feet in front of the plate before delivering the ball. He warned Seymour twice in the first inning.

President Ebbetts has notified the Brooklyn players that if they win the League pennant he will divide \$5,000 among them, that if they come in second they will get \$2,000 and \$1,000 if they finish third.

"If I were managing a team that won the pennant, I would resign my position just as soon as the season closed and engage myself to a team that had finished at the foot of the list," observed Manager Burns.

Umpire Swartwood uses his chest protector as Roman warriors used their shields. He has it strapped to his arm and can shift it to protect his whole frame, an idea that seems excellent and will probably be adopted by others.

"Billy Keeler is as hard a man to pitch to as I know of," says Amos Rusie. "You can't see more than six inches of bat the way he grabs it. And when the pitcher has him in a hole he shifts his grip and shortens the bat still more."

Pitcher Piatt of the Phillies is an Ohio product from Scioto county and was only brought out last year. Along in the midsummer he was teaching school at Otway, in Scioto county, receiving for teaching the young idea how to shoot (not curves) something like \$25 a month.

Winner of the Marathon Race.

R. J. McDonald has attained distinction as a long distance road runner. He won the recent Boston Athletic association Marathon race. McDonald covered 26 miles in the remarkable time of 2:42. The previous record made by J. J. McDermott was 2:55:10. McDermott finished fourth this year, and with three others succeeded in breaking the previous record. McDonald belongs to the Cambridgeport Gymnasium association, is 22 years old and is as fine looking a young athlete as was ever seen on a track. On July 4, 1896, he won his first race, a handicap, at Newton. On July 5, 1897, he finished second in the New England championship race. He is a lineman by trade and has a brilliant future in the athletic world. His performance in the Marathon race was phenomenal. From start to finish he never stopped running, and not a drop of fluid passed his lips. He did not even carry the customary lemon, and finished in fine condition. It will undoubtedly be a long time before his new record for the distance is equaled. He also has several cross country runs to his credit.—New York Sun.

President Andrews' Baseball Prize.

President Andrews of Brown university offers a prize of \$50 to the member of the Brown nine who shall the present season stand highest in a maximum score of 400 points, made up as follows: First, fidelity and punctuality in training and practice, maximum 100 points; second, gentleness of conduct on and off the field, at home and away, maximum 100 points; third, team play, as distinguished from play for individual record, maximum 100 points, and fourth, excellence in batting, maximum 35 points; fielding, maximum 35 points, and base running, maximum 30 points.—Boston Herald.

Heavier Wheels.

The chainless wheel has encouraged makers in the direction of turning out heavier wheels. Low prices have conspired to increase this tendency, as light wheels cannot be made cheaply. Not only wheels, but saddles and tires, are heavier this year. It appears, however, that a fully equipped chain wheel, including gear case and brake, is not as heavy as the regulation chainless. Some dealers say the demand for chainless wheels is good, others report to the contrary. Nearly all agree that the enclosed chain model is becoming constantly more of a factor. While some dealers ask \$5 extra for a gear case, and claim that before long competition will drive all dealers to offer the best American gear case free as a regular equipment.—Philadelphia Times.



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A start was made from the north lodge in the park of Mr. F. S. W. Cornwallis, M. P. for Maidstone, at 9:05 a. m., and the first drive down the somewhat narrow avenue resulted in the ball being lost in a clump of rhododendrons. A new one was dropped and a stroke lost. A stroke was also lost at the second shot from the same cause, and, owing to many difficulties, we did not leave the park till a good iron shot (the thirty-ninth) took us over the wooden fence. No. 65 was lost in the river, whose windings were followed till Headwin was reached at the two hundred and thirteenth stroke. Here a stop was made for luncheon.

A start was made at 2:30, and, leaving Blithenden on our left, we crossed the main road to Tenterden (along which we played for a short distance, with disastrous results), and then found some miles of pasture, where the brassy was freely used. Then over wheat and oats, which, fortunately, had been recently rolled, till at 6 o'clock we ended the first day at Crumpton House, High Holden, the number of strokes taken being 427. A stump was driven in the ground to mark the spot.

The line on Wednesday was through rough pasture, wheat and a few small coppices, which gave us much use for the masher and nibbler. A high wind, fortunately, was almost behind us. We played through Ingleton park and then reached Shirley moor, and the Rother canal, where, although we lost many strokes by driving into the numerous dikes, yet the lies were fairly good, and the brassy could be used. Leaving Woodchurch on our left, we reached Appledore, at the seven hundred and thirteenth shot, at 1:25, after having lost a ball in the military canal. Next we passed over the pasture to Appledore station, where we put over the railway crossing, and ended the day near Sargate at the eight hundred and forty-sixth stroke, being pulled up by a wide dike which we could not cross.

We started punctually at 8 a. m. on Thursday, and after getting into many dikes we reached Brenzett. From here the going was good, and we took a bee line for the tall water tower standing near the first hole on the Littlestone links. Hope chapel was passed at the one thousand and eleventh stroke, and after a good approach shot with the iron we holed out at 11:38, the number of strokes being 1,087. The number of strokes dropped was 62 and the number of balls lost was 17. The wager was easily won.—Golf.

VARIETY OF SPORTS.

Larned, the Summit tennis expert, has invented a new steel frame racket.

When shown in Australia, the veriscope pictures of the Corbett-Fitzsimmons fight failed to draw enough persons to pay expenses.

The Schuykill navy has a cash balance of \$1,000 in its treasury and is richer financially than the National Association of Amateur Oarsmen.

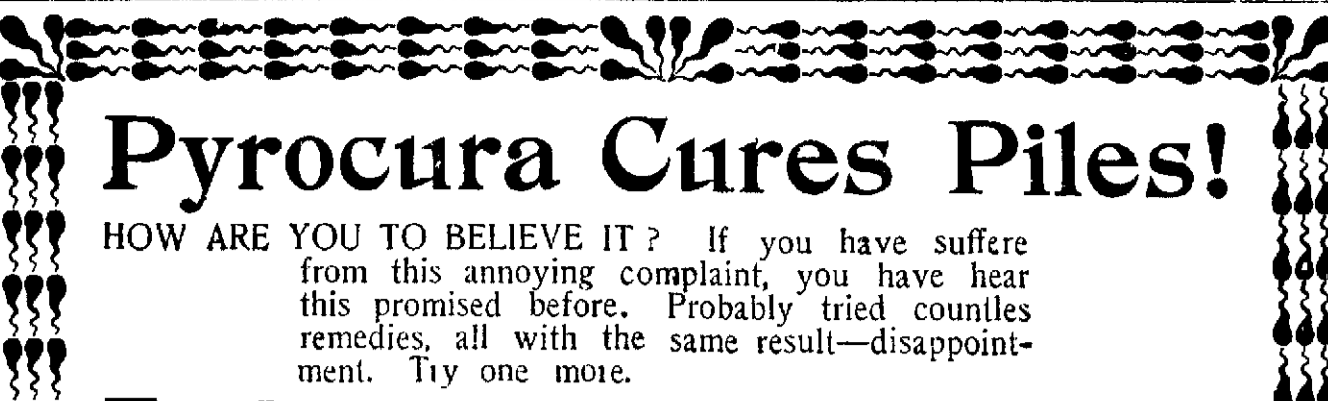
Tommy Keane, the "red demon" of the cinder track, has hard luck in England on account of severe handicapping by English racing officials. Keane will return to America about June 1.

Paul, the Iowa athlete who is training under the direction of Dad Monitron, who discovered John V. Crummin, is running 100 yards in 0:10 1-5. Monitron says that he is good for even time later in the season.

Spike Sullivan announces his readiness to fight George Lavigne to a finish for \$5,000 a side. He declines to meet the champion in a limited bout, but is willing to take on any other 185 pounder for 10 to 20 rounds.

J. M. Griebenow, the South African crack, will represent the Transvaal in the forthcoming English championships, and if he is successful he will continue his journey to Vienna to compete in the world's championships.

Frank Erne has had the X rays applied to his left hand, which he injured some time ago in a battle with Jack Donney. It was discovered that no bones were broken and that with care and attention the member will be all right again in a short time.



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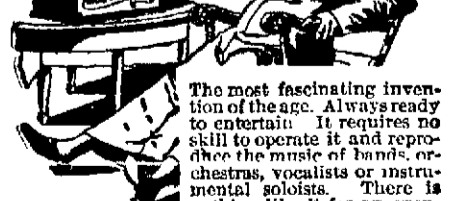
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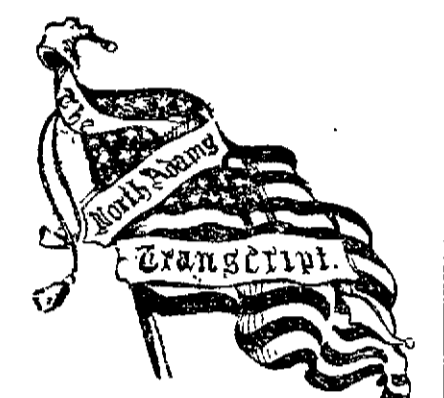
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"WAHN" OR "JUAN."

A reader asks The Transcript to give the pronunciation of San Juan, the name of the capital city of Porto Rico, recently bombarded by Admiral Sampson's fleet.  
 The school teachers all say it is "San Juan." As good a writer as Lord Byron, however, was of a different opinion. He, Don Juan opens with these lines:  
 I want a hero; an uncommon want,  
 When every year and month bring forth a new one;  
 Till after cloying the gazettes with cant,  
 "Thou'rt discovered he is not the true one."  
 Of such is as these I should not care to want.  
 I'll therefore take an ancient friend,  
 Don Juan.  
 We all have seen him in the pantomime.  
 Sent to the devil somewhat ere the time.  
 Lord Byron was a consummate scholar and an English master of literary taste, and, therefore, it will not be charged as an "Americanism" or "provincialism" if the name is pronounced as it reads in our letters. There is good enough authority for pronouncing the name as it reads in English. Other things being equal, the home not the foreign pronunciation is always more loyal and in better taste.

GOOD FOR THE BAY STATE.

The Massachusetts soldiers can be relied upon to make a record of which the state may well be proud. Already they have begun to attract attention as in remarkably excellent form. Lieut. Weaver, who mustered our volunteers into the service, has written to Adjutant-General Dalton congratulating him on the truly splendid regiments contributed by Massachusetts. He says he doubts whether any other state has sent regiments so well drilled and completely equipped as has the Bay state.

Blanco reports daily arrival of provisions, some of them from America. Provisions are still a large stock.

The French press finds itself bottled up through its early and pronounced declarations in favor of Spain.

With several million secretaries of war in the country, General Alger has the audacity to suggest that he be allowed another as assistant.

All presidential booms heretofore announced will have to undergo a physical examination after the war has produced its galaxy of heroes.

The responsibility for a long session of Congress will rest on the senate. The responsibility also lies on the senate for trying to make the quality of the long session's work as bad as can be. There is one consolation—so straight-out Republican senator is among those who are to blame.

Slowly but surely the lines are being drawn tighter in the cotton industry of the state. Another mill and the one which was conspicuous for its steady work when many were closing a few years ago, has been forced to reduce its wages in order to meet competition of these hard times for the cotton business.

Every day that the Spanish fleet delays coming to conclusions with Sampson it grows weaker, for its stock of coal and its other supplies are diminished day by day. Sampson, meantime, loses nothing, and his strength has been concentrated since the day when the Spaniards were sighted at Martinique. Suspense is trying, but, under the circumstances, Americans may as well bear it philosophically. There are more consolations in it for them than there are for Spain.

The Ohio naval reserves who refuse to enlist individually, but express willingness to go as a body, will not do for emergency men until the nation is in a far greater emergency than seems likely to arise during the Spanish war. A pa's has been reached at which the Ohio man

ed to be trimmed on his concept to make a good citizen. Ohioans must be taught that the state rights idea was whipped out of existence during the Civil war.

The effort which prominent colored men are making to induce the war department to choose negro troops on the basis of the immune regiments which are to be sent to Cuba, has met with considerable favor, the secretary of war having promised these colored men that several regiments would be composed of colored volunteers. There can be no doubt that negroes, bred in the southern climate and used to conditions similar to those which will be encountered in Cuba, would be under a great advantage in a summer campaign on that island.

While the taxpayers of the United States are contemplating the necessity of a heavier burden than they have been accustomed to bear for many years past, in order to meet the expenses of the war with Spain, it may tend to cheerfulness or them to reflect that they have herebefore been getting off more easily than their transatlantic cousins. The taxation on national purposes in the United Kingdom is \$13 per capita, while in the United States it is only about \$5 per capita. We can, if need be, carry more than that and still get along very well, for the United States is more enterprising in wealth faster than any other country in the world.

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## THE LATEST MODE.

Bright Colors Prevail Among Summer Gowns and Accessories.  
 Bright, clear shades are the mode, blue, green, violet and red in various tones being the favorite colors. Gray is also well worn, combined with white, red or green. Ruffs and stripes, especially those woven horizontally, are in high favor, and shepherd's checks of different sizes are also worn. Plain and glaze poplins in all colors are among the season's materials, and fancy wools, in which waved or chevron lines appear, while the volles of the most transparent textures are enormously fashionable. The last named materials are plaited, tucked finely, made into innumerable ruffles and used for shirred sleeves and full chemisettes as well as for entire costumes.  
 Bright colored sun umbrellas with immense jiblike handles are produced for summer use. They are rolled in a silk



NEW TOQUE.  
 ease matching the tint of the umbrella cover, which may be plain or changeable, or even plaid or checked.

The prettiest steamer rugs are those made like the golf caps—that is, showing one color on one side and a different one on the other. Sometimes the two colors are plain, sometimes one side is checked, striped or plaided. One of the most attractive is a dull blue on the outside, with blue fringe, while the inside is scarlet, and there is a cape to match.  
 The illustration given today shows a toque which is entirely composed of a wrinkled plat of beaver colored neapolitan braid—that made of horsehair. This is draped over the shape, the front being adorned with clusters of fancy feathers with large turquoise spots. The feathers are clasped by a gold and turquoise buckle.  
 JUDIC CHOLLET.

Dewey's Defeat Years Ago.  
 The devotion of Commodore Dewey to Miss Virginia Lowery, the handsome daughter of Archibald Lowery, one of the most prominent and wealthy of the exclusive "residential set" in Washington, is well known here. Miss Lowery was beautiful in grande dame fashion and a woman of definite views as to what would make up her happiness. When very young, she became engaged to a dashing, impetuous secretary of the Spanish legation, Count Jack Brunetti.

Her father refused to sanction the affair, but declining all other offers, even that of the present hero of the hour, Miss Lowery kept during 20 years her plighted troth. Three seasons ago, however, with the consent of her father, she became the wife of Duke d'Aroca, her devoted and loyal squire, who not only had inherited a title and estates, but represented his country as minister to Mexico.  
 They say the commodore resented bitterly his defeat by a foreign nation and it is probable sent hot shots with added vim, recalling the horrid day when Jack Tar Cupid set Spain's flag above the stars and stripes on the trim craft of his heart's desire.—Washington Cor. New York Herald.

Irish Athletic Club Emblem.

"After due consideration," says Jim Mitchell, "the Irish Athletic club has decided that the crest of the new organization will be a red hand supported on each side by the wings of Mercury. The red hand was the family crest of the world famous Clan O'Neill, a body of Irishmen that for centuries proved the only obstacle to the English subjugation of the Green Isle. The emblem, while being consistently patriotic, is at the same time emphatically symbolic of strength, fighting powers, speed, and athletic ability, and is undoubtedly the ideal adornment that should decorate the breast of a modern Irish athlete."

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## SENATORS' THREATS.

Would Discuss Revenue Bill to Kill Annexation.

Besides Prolonging the Session All Summer.

Power to Admit a Dependency by Resolution Disputed.

Washington, May 24.—The question of the annexation of the Hawaiian Islands has been revived in the senate to a certain extent since the Hawaiian resolutions were reported in the house, and the friends of annexation have been quoted as expressing a determination to press the house resolution in the senate during the present session in case it should pass the house, for fear that the short session would not afford time to secure its thorough consideration. The opponents of annexation declare they will not agree to the revival of the question in any way in the senate before the adjournment of this session, and some of the Democratic opponents do not hesitate to say that rather than have the Hawaiian question reconsidered they will debate the war revenue bill indefinitely.

Senator White, who has been one of the most persistent opponents of annexation, gave the Associated Press the following outline of his position on the question: "Before the present congress assembled, it was stated that the treaty would be pressed immediately on the opening of the session. This was not done. On the contrary, the matter was not called up until we were well into January. The debate was quite active for awhile; then the subject was dropped because the friends of the treaty were short of votes, and has not since been revived in the senate. If any attempt is made, now that the time for adjournment ought to be near, to renege an annexation under the resolution theory, the result cannot be favorable to an early disposition of the important legislation pending in congress, but will keep congress in session all summer. The power to admit a territory or dependency by resolution is doubtful. Texas came in by resolution, but was admitted as a state under a provision of the constitution expressly giving congress the right to admit new states. This and many more equally cogent arguments will be elaborated whenever this interesting matter shall be publicly debated. The sensible thing to do is to suspend further proceedings on the subject of annexation until the war with Spain is over and we face the new problems resulting from our success at arms."

## WAR REVENUE.

Mr. Chilton and Mr. Aldrich on the Coinage of Seigniorage.  
 Washington, May 24.—In the course of his remarks upon the inheritance tax, Senator Chilton expressed the opinion that next to a tax on incomes and upon corporations, the succession tax contained more elements of justice than any other feature of the pending bill. He defended the proposition of the majority of the finance committee to issue certificates against the silver seigniorage.



NELSON W. ALDRICH.  
 "That issue would amount," inquired Mr. Aldrich, "to about \$42,000,000. I believe you to say?"  
 "Yes, that is true," replied Mr. Chilton.

"It is evident," said Mr. Aldrich, "if the present price of silver is accepted, the profit upon this so-called seigniorage would be far greater than \$42,000,000. If you are going to issue fiat money, why do you not proceed to do it without the pretense of issuing money against a supposed seigniorage?" Taking a silver certificate from his pocket, Mr. Aldrich read from its face the statement that there were on deposit in the treasury blank silver dollars, "payable to the bearer on demand. If certificates are issued against the so-called seigniorage," continued Mr. Aldrich, "there will not be one single silver dollar deposited in the treasury. There has been none deposited and there can be none in the very nature of things. Why should we not issue fiat money and call it such?" Mr. Aldrich said that in accordance with the express terms of the law, the government stood pledged to hold this so-called seigniorage in the treasury as security for the outstanding certificates, and it could not properly be touched until those certificates had been taken care of.

"That is all a gratuity," replied Mr. Chilton. "The senator must know there is nothing of the sort he suggests in the law. We know precisely how much silver it will require to coin a specified sum in dollars. Why then should we wait until it is actually coined, when it can be used now to relieve our people from the burdens of taxation? There is no reason in law, in reason, in justice or in good faith why certificates should not be issued against this silver bullion already paid for and on hand." Mr. Chilton declared that the very prospect of the issue of bonds at an early date had caused the withholding of spare capital from the industries of the country, capitalists preferring to place their money in a long time loan to the government. Mr. Chilton said the people, the plain people, would rebel against bonds unless the issue was absolutely necessary.

Mr. Lodge felt that if the corporations were taxed by both the state and the national government it would result in shutting many of them out of business. Ultimately the states would be forced to levy state and municipal taxes to pay additional burdens upon real estate, thus further oppressing the very people whom it was the professed desire of the corporation tax advocates to relieve. For the United States to tax the corporations would result in the destruction of a great source of revenue to the states. He objected to the

poration tax, because it was unfair and inequitable, and he also opposed the tax on bank deposits, particularly those in savings banks. In Massachusetts, he said, the savings banks contained deposits exceeding \$500,000,000. The average amount deposited was \$364. This money belonged to the poor people, the wage earners of the state, and if the tax were levied upon these deposits a blow would be struck directly at a class which ought not to be encouraged.

According to a statement made by Senator Allison in the senate, the change made by the committee on finance at its meeting Saturday, increasing the rate on cigars to \$2.50 per thousand, applied to cigars weighing more than three pounds to the thousand and not to those weighing less.

## MONDAY'S BALL GAMES.

That In St. Louis Beplets With Errors and Sensational Hitting.

St. Louis, May 24.—Bostons won in a neck and neck finish with the Browns yesterday in a game which was poorly played by both sides. Errors were plentiful and brilliant plays scarce. Harley being credited with the only one really of that description. This was in the fifth inning, when with no one out and Bergen on first base Klobedanz lined out what looked like a triple. Harley went after it from the rear, and after a hard chase managed to stop it, and after juggling it a few times to freeze it to it.

The game despite the poor playing was one of the exciting variety, as it was not until the last man was out that the game was decided. Hughey and Klobedanz were the opposing pitchers. Neither covered himself with glory.

Four of the Boston's seven errors were made in the sixth inning, after two men were out, giving the Browns a run. In the seventh inning Long and Harley collided at second base, and Long got all the worst of it, but was not hurt enough to have to leave the game.

Captain Duffy's two three-baggers assisted in the victory. Score:  
 St. Louis. AB R IB PO A E  
 Dowd, C. f. .... 4 0 1 4 1 0  
 Holmes, C. f. .... 5 0 1 2 0 0  
 Harley, L. f. .... 4 0 2 2 0 0  
 Sueden, C. b. .... 3 1 1 1 1 1  
 Cross, S. b. .... 3 0 0 0 3 1  
 Decker, L. b. .... 5 2 2 7 0 0  
 Hall, S. s. .... 4 1 1 3 3 1  
 Crooks, T. b. .... 5 1 1 2 1 1  
 Hughey, P. .... 5 2 3 0 3 1  
 Clements, O. .... 0 0 0 0 0 0  
 Totals ..... 40 7 11 27 11 5

Batted for Hughey.  
 Boston. AB R IB PO A E  
 Hamilton, C. f. .... 5 2 2 1 0 1  
 Tenney, L. b. .... 5 1 1 10 1 1  
 Long, S. s. .... 5 1 1 1 3 1  
 Duffy, L. f. .... 5 1 2 3 0 0  
 Collins, C. b. .... 3 1 1 1 1 1  
 Stahl, R. f. .... 4 1 1 1 0 0  
 Lowe, T. b. .... 4 0 1 2 4 1  
 Bergen, C. .... 4 1 3 6 1 2  
 Klobedanz, P. .... 4 0 1 0 3 0  
 Totals ..... 41 8 13 27 13 7

St. Louis ..... 0 0 0 2 1 3 0-7  
 Boston ..... 1 0 0 0 0 2 2-3

Two-base hits—Decker, Bergen, Hamilton. Three-base hits—Hall, Duffy, 2. Earned runs—Boston, 3; St. Louis, 3. Hit by pitched ball—Harley. Double play—Hall, Crooks and Decker. Base on balls—Of Hughey 3; of Klobedanz, 2. Sacrifice hits—Dowd, Cross, Hall. Struck out—By Hughey, 3; by Klobedanz, 3. Stolen bases—Hamilton, 2; Hughey. Wild pitch—Klobedanz. Time—2:50. Umpires—Swartwood and Woods.

The New Yorks batted hard and time by while the Louisvilles could not bat when his meant runs. Downing, their pitcher, lasted but five innings. Score: 12 to 4.

The aggregation from Baltimore had two bad innings yesterday, and the Chicago one, errors being followed by a bunching of hits. The Illinois team won, 6 to 5.

Hill of the Cincinnati kept the Brooklyn's hits scattered well and pitched himself out of many tight places, so that his club won, 7 to 2.

Duganley of the Philadelphia was an easy mark for the Pittsburghs, and after he had lost the game in an inning and a half, Pitt was substituted. Only one short hit was made off him. Score: 3 to 1.

With two out in the ninth, Burckett's single drive brought in two runs, giving the Cleveland team the game after the Washingtons thought victory was sure. Score: 4 to 3.

The Newport team was weak at the bat at critical times in the game with the Brooklyn. Hits were frequent, but the men died on bases for the sake of a strong batter. The score was close enough to keep up interest and the game was very well played at all points, save Clancy at short for the visitors. Score: 2 to 2.

The Pawtucket won in a batting contest with the Tauntons, 7 to 4. Katall, who has been loaned by the Fall Rivers, was tried by the Tauntons, and pitched a steady game, the hits being well sprinkled through the innings. Batter's decisions were frequently questioned.

The Springfielders appear to have the luck to be pitted against the Providence at a time when the Providence pitchers are vying with each other in good work. Rudderham pitched a magnificent game, holding the Springfielders down to scattered hits, and would have shut them out but for an error following Lush's hit in the eighth inning. Score: 8 to 1.

The Fall River team, with Flanagan on the mound, made easy work defeating the New Bedford, 8 to 2. All the work was needed to get first base, and then the New Bedford players did the rest.

## WEATHER INDICATIONS.

ALMANAC, WEDNESDAY, MAY 25.

Sun rises—4:14; sets, 7:08.

Moon sets—11:07 p. m.

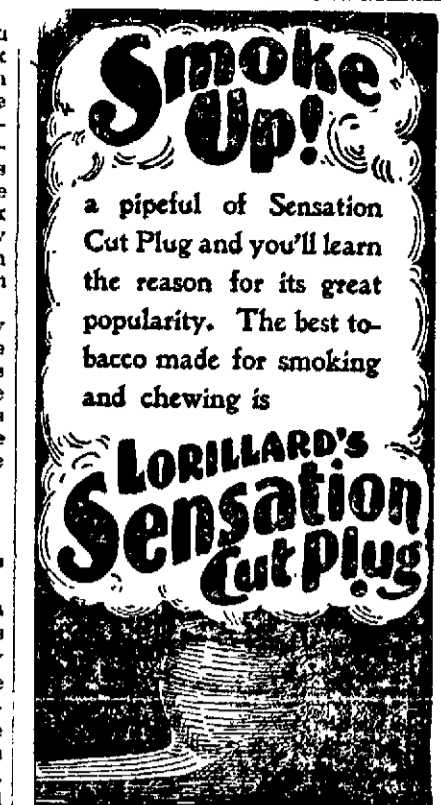
High tide—2:15 a. m.; 2:30 p. m.

The indications for New England are showers, followed by clearing weather; fair Wednesday. The temperature will rise slowly, with westerly winds, becoming variable. Unsettled weather is probable again by Thursday.

It is strange how a bicycle sometimes develops an inexplicable, exasperating squeak. It is a certain sign that something is wrong somewhere, but it defies all endeavors to locate it, despite continual oiling in every part where friction is possible. Very often the squeak will disappear as quickly as it appeared.

It will give to riders who have adopted wider tires some satisfaction to know that in a series of experiments made by the Missouri department of agriculture it was found that it required much less trouble to pull a loaded vehicle having wide tires than when narrow tires were used. This was found especially true on poor roads.

It is becoming a matter for interesting speculation where the tide of patriotism is to cease in its effect upon cyclodrom. Bicycle stockings with red, white and blue tops and sweaters having the national colors running in lateral stripes around them are being plentifully displayed in shop windows, and, according to reports, are being freely purchased.



## CYCLING AND GOLF.

Each of These Sports Makes the Other More Popular.

Old prejudices which for years have kept Americans out of health giving pastimes and the enjoyment of nature on the seventh day are rapidly being dispelled. We are growing more and more like the Germans in this respect and it is not disputed that we are made physically better for it. The bicycle is the wedge which has split the old prejudices. It is a convenient and inexpensive means of taking the clerk to the flower covered trees in the country. Tired out with six days of toil behind a counter, he welcomes the moderate and beneficial exercise of cycling and the opportunity for a journey into the country. If he be a church member, he attends service in the morning and afterward derives the benefits of cycling and the pure air outside the city.

Members of the so called fashionable set now play golf on Sunday; many do, anyway. And if they don't go to the links wheeling it is because they can't get a machine to ride on. Cycling goes hand in glove with golf. It seems, in fact, that the one makes the other more popular. Close observers may notice in the park and on the boulevard on Sundays many a cyclist with a bag of golf sticks strapped to the headpost and pedaling in the direction of the "links north of the Harlem. Two seasons ago this was not generally known. Now it is a common sight and may be taken as conclusive evidence that Americans are growing more and more appreciative of the benefits of plenty of outdoor exercise, which they indulge in whenever opportunity offers.—New York Press.

## CYCLE RACING.

It is given out that Michael's pace-making crews this season will number 50 men all told.

R. P. Clark, the professional tricycle and all round racing crack, has left England for the Klondike.

The bicycle prophets say that the mile record time this season will be reduced to 1 minute 20 seconds and the unpaced mile record to 1 minute 35 seconds.

The first cyclist to negotiate the journey around the world with success was Thomas Stevens, who in 1884 became famous by carrying out his project in spite of some fearful drawbacks. He completed his ride in 1887. His mount was a 50 inch ordinary.

Eddie Bald, according to his manager, Pat McDonald, is said to be in better form just now than ever before at this period of the year. Patrick ventures to predict that Bald will again be champion, with Kiser, Stevens and Cooper well up in the front bunch.

There is an idea among the racing men, trainers and managers of London that America has no tracks. Secretary Reeves of the National cyclodrome, New York, who returned recently from abroad, says that the Crystal palace track, of which much is heard in this country, is cracked throughout the surface and is inferior to a score or more of the American tracks.

A moot question in cycle racing circles ever since the introduction of motorcycles for track work has been which machine is capable of the fastest work. It has never been decisively answered and individual opinions on the subject differ greatly. Some think that the combination of three fast men and a triplet can travel faster than anything else from a single to a sextet on account of the triplet's comparative lightness, the ease with which it may be handled and the quickness with which it may be got under full speed. Most of these advantages are possessed by the tandem, but the triplet advocates contend that the greater power of three men lessen the worth of a tandem as compared with the three seater.

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 Mr. Frank R. Stockton, in his serial, "The Buccaneers of Our Coast," in St. Nicholas, says:

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# Women of Today

## BAB'S BABBLE.

*A Breezy Chapter of Feminine Gossip.  
Three Stylish Gowns—Woman's  
Unerring Instinct.*

[Copyright, 1898.]  
One must be ruffled or counted out of fashion, and then one might as well be out of the world. Skirts are ruffled up to an 18 inch waist, sometimes up to a 43 inch one, and then the effect is that of a pillow with a string tied around it. But the woman who has not a sufficient number of ducats to have a ruffled skirt turns up her piquant little nose, declares that ruffled skirts are common and ruffles her sash. This can be done more cheaply, but it is equally effective. For a long time sashes were in disrepute. They were given over, as it were, to babes and sucklings, but just now the trimmed sash, with its innocent looking little belt hugging the place that you would like to put your arm around, is "the thing." Lots of pretty belongings are "the things," with the tiny little article slung over, but when it comes to emphasizing the dressmaker article then, if you are feminine, you have it or from a social standpoint you die.

Years ago, when you and I were innocent little tots and knew nothing of the troubles of this world, we wriggled and twisted while our fond mothers tied us up as far as our healthily big waists permitted in broad blue sashes with two loops and two ends. Such a sash is not recognized nowadays.

The fashionable sash when it is not ruffled, and everybody knows what a ruffled sash is, has its end trimmed with fringe or lace, and its bow must be made (being feminine, you know there is a difference between a made bow and a tied bow) after one of four fashions. The first is a gauze ribbon,



with a stiff, double looped bow and a knotted silk fringe at each end. The second is a lovely brocade ribbon, with two loops backed by short forked ends with a strass buckle in the center and long ends that are forked and tipped with pearl fringe. The third one has two loops up and two loops down and a knot across the middle, with a fanciful fringe having a heading as its finish. The other one received in polite society has a rosette such as your mother used to make, with sloping ends finished with a heavy knotted silk fringe. These sashes are the kind that the Astors and Vanderbilts, who are not affected by the rise and fall of coffee, wear, and they are shown by a French dressmaker who is small and saucy, who can make a wonderfully chic frock and can charge, O ye gods and little fishes! I cannot understand why, since we are fighting the Spanish or at least playing with them and giving them a little taste of what our new navy can do, that Scotch plaids should be in fashion, and yet—yet the gentleman who rides that ungraceful machine known as the "bike," whose legs lack curve, but are strong in muscle, wears hose of the plaid of some special clan to which he has no personal right, while the delivery wagons of a well known shop are glorious in the plaid of another clan because the second member of the firm happens to bear the name that belongs to the—oh, what do the Scotch call the head of a clan? Is it duke or laird or master or what?

I never think of the Scotch without remembering that rather unpleasant story of the time when all Scotland was attacked with the hives and a great duke, having put many posts to uphold

men. They lack subtlety. A man may play on the violin like an angel. You may credit him with a soul, but the soul is divided between the violin and the woman who listens to its strains of wonderful melody. He understands the technique. He knows his work to perfection, but he doesn't know how close to such other are heaven and music. The playwright takes his pencil, that dreadful blue one, and X's out something, not because it lacks wit, not because it does not fit well in that particular place, but because the women wouldn't like it. The novelist, pen in hand, or wiser still, dictating to a stenographer, for a manuscript stands a better chance of acceptance if it is type-written, looks at a chapter and applauds himself for his brightness and then hesitates. Consequently he is lost if he allows it to remain. It is a chapter that will displease the average wo-



man, and everything in art, books, music and plays to succeed must please the Women, with a capital W.

You take the chosen one to the theater. You are a generous, pleasant fellow. You have been through a good college and have seen something of life, but there is a line in the play that to you seems as nothing, and the little woman with you whispers, "All the play hinges on that line." After events proper to a funeral, "What is most fashionable in shrouds?" With the usual good manners of an undertaker, who always washes his hands in impalpable water with invisible soap, he bowed and entered into an explanation: "For young ladies, those who are unmarried, we make a pure white resting robe. For widows, for married ladies or for those ladies whose lives have been full of gaiety, we make a dress of white material, white for elderly ladies, elderly widows and spinsters who have passed 50, we arrange a gown of black velvet."

Mademoiselle hesitated for a long time. Then she said: "Make me a white shroud trimmed with the finest lace. I will pay for it in advance." The gentleman who "undertook" was subservient. He seldom had such customers. After giving her the change he bade his fair client good morning, and she walked slowly to the door with her finger on her lip. Looking back at him from under the rim of her big hat, her black eyes sparkling, her whole face telling of the wit concealed in that small brain, she added, feeling sure that he would understand, "By the bye, perhaps it would be better to pin on my gown a bunch of violets so there may be a touch of mauve." After telling this a man asked me if she was anticlimax. That way, books, music, nothing is written for

whose gown was so absolutely fetching that for a little while the other two women were rather nasty to her, but after something to fetch up their appetites they grew civil. Strangely enough, it was the simplest gown of the three. It had a perfectly plain skirt of acru linen, but that skirt had the wonderful French fit and the wonderful French hang that can only be got by an artist in dress-making. She may live in a back street and charge almost nothing or live in an expensive neighborhood and demand more than your life or liberty, provided she gets your entire pocketbook. The plaited blouse had close fitting sleeves tucked at intervals and was of pale blue taffeta. Over it came a fitted jacket of the plique, cut out at the neck to show the underbody and lacking sleeves. This jacket was trimmed with black braid and buttons, while the double looped bow under the chin above the high collar was of black taffeta ribbon. The hat was the sort of thing the angels dream of. By the bye, did you ever see an angel wearing a hat? It was of black neapolitan decorated with yards upon yards of blue silk muslin and cocked up at one side in a way that made you realize that first it was necessary to be a genius before one could become a milliner.

You probably think, if you happen to be a man, that the dresses of these women had no effect on the men of the party. My dear friend, a man knows by some curious intuition when a woman is well dressed, and he invariably likes to accompany that one whose gown is perfectly fitting, whose hat is smart and whose gloves are immaculate—in fact, whose costume is a success.

Oh, I know, none better than I, that when a man cares for a woman he will take her out, no matter how shabby she looks, but in society shabbiness is a thing frowned on. That you may be denying yourself a smart gown for some one else's sake is considered in society perfect folly. If your heart is breaking and you are in society, you must laugh, drink and be merry, since this world desired from him who has no toms and no sad looks, but always a jest and always a laugh.

And how many laughing conceal sorrowful hearts? How many smiles are masks for sadness untold? Ah, my friend, you will see that the hardest part to play is that of the jester, the one who must always laugh! Yet we can't go around with tears in our eyes, with quivering lips and throbbing hearts. Oh, no! You and your neighbor have to put on a smile, have to laugh with those who expect to laugh and have to be glad or appear so whether the world has brought its good things to you, to your neighbor or to

## A "New Woman" War Artist.

There is a young woman artist in Boston to whom the war has brought success. It is said to be a very ill wind that blows nobody good, and in her case at least this has proved true. She had a studio in New York for a year or two and plodded along with her art work, as hundreds of other women are doing, merely managing to keep the wolf from the door. One of the woman artist's favorite occupations was to watch the stately ships as they steamed up and down the bay.

She loved a ship as her brother. They were not living things to her, not senseless hulks of wood and steel, dependent for their usefulness upon the intelligence of some one else. She could sketch ships and anything marine, as the studio girls expressed it, "out of sight."

About a year ago circumstances compelled her to remove to Boston, where she opened another studio. There she has been doing work of a miscellaneous character, sometimes dependent as to whether success would ever really come her way. In the intervals of more serious work she drew ships.

Something suggested the making of a sketch of the Maine, then anchored in Havana harbor. She had seen the vessel when in New York and had an excellent rough drawing of it among her possessions. With this to work from she made an elaborate pen and ink sketch.

One morning, like every other American, she was horrified by the news that the Maine had been blown up in the very shadow of Morro Castle and supposedly by Spanish treachery. She at once thought of her drawing, and hastily snatching it up she started for the office of a Boston daily. Her drawing was not only excellent as to technique, but had a certain spirit and general attractiveness that pleased the editorial eye. Moreover, it was timely, and the unusualness of a woman understanding things nautical very likely amused and interested the buyer.

The woman who liked to make pictures of ships had found her opportunity, and she knew how to take advantage of it. That first week she cleared \$100 making pictures of warships, and she has gone right along turning out war pictures and counterfeits, presentments of fighting vessels with a skill and finish that have served to establish for her a place as an illustrator and in a line, too, of which women are not supposed to know much.

## WOMEN IN WAR.

*A Feminine View as to the Part the Gentler Sex Might Play if Given the Opportunity*

The old idea that "men must work and women must weep" has gone out, for women have long been doing their share of the working as well as the weeping. Just as certain seems the extension of the soldier's traditional "girl left behind me." Very few girls want to be left behind, and the American government will have itself to thank if it does not profit by the services of a small army of enthusiastic and daring amazons. Mrs. Birney's motherly advice at the Washington women's convention might just as well have been spoken to the winds that blow for the attention her patriotic countrywomen paid to her tirade against wicked warfare.

There is something in the blood of every healthy, wholesome woman that is and always will be stirred by the recital of martial deeds and the sight of a splendid uniform, inside of which, of course, is a sturdy, broad shouldered man not afraid to walk up to the enemy's guns with a smile on his face.

If you don't believe this, just inquire among your female friends, and you will find that more women than men admire "Sheridan's Ride," "The Charge of the Light Brigade," "Horatius at the Bridge," "The Battle of Ivry" and such heroic lyrics. The stories concerning Florence Nightingale, Molly Pitcher and Clara Barton can command a larger feminine following any day than those written by Laura Jean Libbey, Sarah Grand, Mrs. Rorer or any of the distinguished ladies who have followed in sweetly feminine ways.

Military companies composed of women are, to be sure, rather a novelty. One was organized some years ago in Pittsburg as an auxiliary to one of the local regiments, and the young ladies were said to display much aptitude in mastering military tactics. There was at one time, at least so says a loyal Georgian, a woman's military company in Atlanta, and the Georgian says if that brigade had gone into active service there would probably be as many sonnets written about its beauty as about its bravery. Nobody who knows the southern girl can doubt him.

Reading, Pa., at present has a military band which has its shirt waists, chowing gum and toothbrushes all neatly packed away in the company's lovely, shining leather knapsacks ready for a call to arms.

There isn't a homely girl in the company, and astute diplomats have suggested that the reason the company will not be sent to Cuba is because there would not be a whole heart in the American army after the woman's brigade had been 24 hours in camp. The damage that they would do to the susceptible hearts of the Spaniards is beyond computation, and to send these beautiful Spaniards hating damage to the front might come within the proscribed limits of inhuman warfare. Every woman in the Reading company has solemnly sworn that the aversion which

she feels for a snake, a toad, a cow or a mouse is but a pale, feeble, wavering shadow of the undying enmity with which the word "Spaniard" inspires her.

The company uniform consists of white waists, blue jackets and red skirts. The soldier maids have been drilled with real rifles, and very few of the recruits now shut their eyes when they fire a volley. Their drillmaster is Colonel Case of the Fourth regiment. While they do not claim to be able to throw a rock straight, yet there is no question that, given a fair range at a regiment of Spaniards, they could do severe execution. None of the young women is over 25 years of age, and most of them are nearer 20. Mrs. Howard M. Shilling is the captain of this gallant and lovely band of patriotic amazons.

Not to be outdone by the Reading women, the ladies of Chadron, Neb., have organized a cavalry company and tendered to Governor Holcomb their services as sharpshooters in the regular army. The cavalry ladies are said to be daring horsewomen and dead shots, and all are sworn to shoot a Spaniard on sight.

Mrs. Marguerite Raymond of Chicago, a teacher of voice culture, has the distinction of so far being the only woman who has offered her services as a music maker. Mrs. Raymond has been assigned as bugler to Company H of the Second regiment, Nebraska National Guard. She is the only woman bugler in the service, and is said to be quite an expert with the revolver as with the bugle. In thus discovering a new vocation for women in military service Mrs. Raymond is conferring an inestimable benefit on those theatrical ladies who look on the war as affording a rich field for press agenting purposes.

The woman bugler may prove a picturesque feature in amazonian warfare. No one in the army has more than the dangerous post than the regimental trumpeter, or bugler, as he is called in the navy. He, or in this case she, it is who leads the company in battle, often carrying the regimental colors besides sounding the advance and retreat. Many of the most heroic stories of warfare are told of trumpeters. Times out of number an intrepid bugler, snatching up the shot riddled colors and dashing forward with them into the very teeth of the enemy's guns or recklessly leaping upon the ramparts of a hostile fortress, has thereby planted the country's flag and thereby given the timely inspiration which has urged battalions on to glorious victory. Every one knows the little story of Napoleon's bugler, whom he never forgot even amid the memory erasing solitude and inactivity of St. Helena.

"If I had an army of such as he," the captive would say, "I could dare the combined armies of Europe to battle."

Napoleon, it seems, had heard of the skill of the young bugler, and after a battle, calling the young man before

him, asked for some specimens of the musician's ability. After asking for "Taps," the "Reveille" and the "Advance" Napoleon said:

"Now sound the 'Retreat.'"

"Sire," replied the young bugler proudly, drawing his figure to its full height, "that is something which I have never learned."

While in camp the bugler's work is restricted to sounding the different calls. In battle he is stationed near the commanding officer, and his shrill, sweet notes wait the orders over the field, where in the noise and excitement of conflict the human voice would be inaudible. A bugler's pay in cash is \$1. a month, three suits of clothes a year and his board at the expense of the government, but the revenue in poetry, stately and undying fame is what the average woman is looking for at this stage of the game. Filthy lucre is not likely to be much of a consideration with such of the supposed gentler sex as are willing to undergo the hardships and privations of camp life.

In every other war in which America has been involved many women, falling to obtain recognition of the government, have slipped into the service in male attire. There is no doubt that many were never detected, but others, after a record for fighting which entitled them to commendation and sometimes even to promotion, were quietly dismissed from their regiments and sent home. And these were not bold, brazen women, hardened to human suffering. Many of them were warm hearted creatures, inspired perhaps by the wish to be near and watch over some one whom they loved, or else they were actuated by devotion to the cause. In the Cuban army at the present time are said to be many fair fighters, who find it safer to follow the fortunes of the camp than risk the savagery of the Spanish.

Mrs. George M. Moulton of Chicago, wife of the colonel of the Second regiment of the Illinois national guard, intends to accompany her husband to the front because she thinks that the worst hardships that camp life can offer will be more tolerable than the suspense and worry at home. Colonel Moulton has so far said nothing in opposition to his wife's plan, and the men of the regiment are delighted with the idea and swear that no harm shall come to the camp angel so long as there is an individual left in the regiment able to grasp a sword or aim a rifle.

If worst should by any unforeseen circumstances come to worst with our soldiers there is no doubt that Mrs. Molly Pitcher of glorious memory, the camp angel will be ready to face the enemy from behind a gun rather than that Old Glory should become the enemy's trophy, for the American woman is a born fighter. With all the odds against her she has fought her way into every other occupation. Even if she does want to shoulder a knapsack and musket in defense of her country it isn't because she doubts the grit and manly talent of the American man. It is because she admires him so much that she wants to imitate his gallant example even upon the battlefield. She wishes to be in the thick of the fight, to share his dangers as well as his joys and sorrows, and if any one challenges the womanliness of her ambition, in "The Romance of the Case" Mrs. Browning has pleaded her case so well that there is no need of other defense.

CAROLA LEIGH.

## What She Wears.

The famous woman Annie S. Peck, who has been noted as having scaled the Matterhorn and broken the record on Mount Orizaba, going 8,600 feet into the clouds, wore flannel undergarments, a waist of serge, a woolen sweater, knickerbockers and leggings of sage green duck canvas, which she made herself. She wore the heaviest kind of winter boots, and a shoemaker in Switzerland put an extra piece of heavy leather over the whole lower part of the shoes, toes and heels and then nearly covered them with nails. In many of her trips she has worn fur topped gloves, but for the Matterhorn she wore woolen mittens. A substantial canvas hat, tied on with ribbon, and veil as well as smoked glasses completed her outfit. She takes the precaution to put cold cream on her face before facing the severe weather.



## NOTES ABOUT WOMEN.

The Daughters of the American Revolution have rejected Dr. Mary Walker on account of her clothes. Dr. Walker wears the radical garments and always appears in trousers, coat and man's derby hat and has her hair clipped short.

Agnes Sorma, the German actress, refuses to be photographed. She has given a negative answer every time she has been asked to sit.

A woman, Mrs. Marion E. Garmory, of Rockford, Ill., headed the list at the

recent examinations of applicants for admission to the bar held at Ottawa, Ill.

On account of the war Mile. Calve has decided not to return to this country to sing, but will prove her patriotic fervor—she was born on the southern frontier of France—by staying in Paris and participating in a great revival of Gluck's "Armida" that is projected.

The great animal painter, Rosa Bonheur, recently reached her seventy-

ninth birthday. She is still marvelously active and able to work her usual five hours a day. Masculine dress is no novelty for her, for she is one of the few Frenchwomen absolutely permitted to wear such clothing.

Clara Barton is 68 years old, though those who know her best can be hardly made to believe it. She says she has no intention of being put on the retired list.

Miss Emma W. Whittington, who has been appointed an honorary colonel of the Third Infantry, Arkansas state guards, is not only the first woman ever

appointed to a military position in that state, but is the youngest woman holding such a position in the United States.

The Ladies Dorothea and Estella Hops, sisters of the Earl of Hopetoun, have established a successful breeding farm of ponies and Jersey cows at Edinbridge.

A queen of Abyssinia is every inch a queen as she sits on her throne in a big circular room on the lower floor of her house. Her name is in Amharic Tal-haltu, which means "She is a sun," and when she sits on her throne with a

large shaham thrown over her shoulders half a dozen Galla girls, who act as ladies in waiting, whisk away the innumerable flies from her majesty's sacred person, using as fans the tails of cows set in silver.

Princess Marie of Roumania, wife of the crown prince, has an unusual hobby, the collection of perfume bottles. In this she resembles her grandmother, the late empress of Russia, who left a collection of beautiful perfume bottles valued at \$35,000.

The queen of Italy is a robust person, she has a reputation as a long distance

pedestrian, and she turns to chess for relaxation.

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Two roan colts, 2 and 3 years old, from pasture near line kiln. Reward for any information concerning same. T. W. Richmond, Agent. 1303-40

## Street Paving.

Sealed proposals will be received by the Commissioner of Public Works of the city of North Adams, Mass., until noon of Saturday, May 28, for material and labor in paving as follows:

Union street, about 1,850 square yards granite blocks or bricks and setting about 600 lin. ft. of curb.  
Eagle street, about 2,800 square yards with brick and setting about 1,200 lin. ft. of curb.  
Holden street, about 1,000 square yards with brick and setting about 500 lin. ft. of curb.

Bids will be received per square yard for each street separately.  
The right is reserved to reject any and all bids.  
Plans and specifications may be seen at the office of the undersigned.

JOS. H. EMERY,  
Commissioner of Public Works.

North Adams, Mass., May 21, 1898.

## FLORIDA CAMP LIFE

Letter From Company M  
Soldier at Lakeland.

### A VERY PICTURESQUE CAMP

Beside a Lake Inhabited by An  
Alligator. How the Boys Spend  
the Evenings With Songs  
and Stories.

An interesting letter has been received by THE TRANSCRIPT from C. L. Brown of Company M, now in camp at Lakeland, Fla. After speaking of the trip from Camp Dewey south, which has already been described in these columns, he writes as follows:

It impressed us quite seriously what our mission was, when a grey haired old darkey in Washington, stepped up and wished us God-speed on our errand of mercy, for he said it made him think back thirty years or more when this northern troops came south on a similar errand, to liberate a down-trodden race.

A little further down in Virginia, where we made a short stop, a veteran of the Rebellion treated a few of the boys to cigars. We were greeted everywhere with cheers, and every one wanted to see the soldiers and get some token of remembrance. We gave them hard two with our names on and were more than glad to get rid of our hard luck.

The boys had lots of fun when stop were made. All the darkeys were afraid, and some of the boys would catch and put them in the cars until the train started, and then watch them scamper to get off. While I am speaking of negroes, I wish to say that they are the blackest of all black men I ever saw. They talk sassy, and the white people talk about the same.

At a little town by the name of Rome, a man gave us permission to catch one of his razor-back pigs. It was a hard job, but fellow in Company L was successful and secured the prize. He tied it by the legs to his car seat and they have it in camp.

A regiment arrived here in Lakeland on Monday night. The night was spent in the cars. Next morning the tent were pitched in a very picturesque spot beside a beautiful lake, which has one ten foot alligator for an inhabitant. The boys went in swimming in spite of him, and suffered no harm.

We had a concert in camp last night. Harry Browne playing the banjo and singing funny songs assisted by Joe Gravel with his deep rich bass voice and Jack Burke a tenor singer both of Adams. While boys from other companies sang songs and told funny stories.

Today it is very hot and no one feels like moving but we have to do our share of work just the same. As it is getting near time for the bugle call to dinner I shall have to close. There is no sickness in camp at the present time except a few cases of fainting in other companies than ours, caused by heat.

CARROLL L. BROWN.

**FIRST MILITARY FUNERAL.**  
Private W. S. Brass of Company I Given All Honor.

Camp Massachusetts at Lakeland was the scene of a mournful ceremony yesterday, when the body of Private Wesley S. Brass of Company I of Westfield, was given all the honors of a military funeral.



PRIVATE WESLEY D. BRASS.

Private Brass was in good health when he left home for the front, but caught cold after his arrival in camp and died Saturday in spite of every care that was taken of him.

The chaplain had the service just at sunset Monday in a little Episcopal church set in a grove of pines at the edge of a lake. Beside the coffin a guard of honor had stood all day in white gloves and bright brass and dustless blue. But their presence alone was not enough for a volunteer, so the colonel, with his staff, and the regimental band followed up, the drums rolling and the bugles breathing a dirge, and following after them marched company after company, winding out from under the trees and up the dusty road in an endless column of blue.

### Public School Memorial Day.

The Memorial exercises in the public schools will be especially interesting this year. Excellent programs have been arranged which include patriotic recitations and songs by the pupils, and there will be no usual addresses by veterans who will visit all the schools in delegations. The exercises at Drury primary, State street, East Mountain and Walden district schools will take place at 10 a. m., and at all the other schools the programs will be rendered at 2 p. m. The Woman's Relief corps, the Sons of Veterans, the Daughters of the American Revolution and the Sons of the Revolution have received invitations to attend.

### MENU.

The ladies of St. John's will serve a 15-cent supper at the parish house tomorrow evening.

**MENU.**  
Creamed Beef Saratoga Chips  
Dressed Eggs Strawberry Shortcake  
Tea Biscuits Strawberry and Cream  
Cabbage Salad Pickles Butter  
Tea Assorted Cakes Coffee  
Ice cream 10 cents extra.

## A PLEASANT LIFE IN BERKSHIRE.

Mr. Leake's Years of Retirement From  
Active Business.

By the death of Frederic Leake, mentioned of which was made in this paper Monday, Williamstown and North Adams lose a substantial and respected citizen of high character and true worth. He had resided in Williamstown since 1837, when he retired from the banking business in Troy, N. Y., with a fortune, and there gratified his love of quiet, a beautiful scenery, his taste for literature and pleasant association with kindred minds.

He was an exceptionally modest and retiring man, free from ostentation, and though deeply interested in the welfare of his town he never busied himself with the details of its affairs or sought public position of any kind. He was an ardent lover of good literature and a discriminating critic of literary work. He was a studious man from early life and his mind was stored with an unusual fund of knowledge. His mastery of French was such that when traveling in France he was taken for an educated Frenchman. He was equally familiar with the Hebrew language, and was thoroughly at home in questions of finance, political economy and history. In 1836 he published a collection of essays and lectures entitled "Historic Bubbles."

Mr. Leake was a great lover of the charming section of Berkshire and one of his chief delights was his horseback riding through the valleys and over the hills. His home was the production of wealth coupled with good judgment and taste, and was a home in the true sense of the word. He was a man of domestic taste and found his happiest companionship in his family circle. Yet he was genial and social in his intercourse with others and was held in the highest esteem by those who knew him.

Mr. Leake received from Williams college in 1865 the honorary degree of A. M. and in 1867, at the close of six years work as professor of French in the college, he was honored with the degree of H. D. The Episcopal church in Williamstown was founded by Mr. Leake and he was lay reader for eight years before a regular rector was appointed. When the parish was admitted to the diocese he ceded the church property into the hands of the bishop. He was a warm friend of the church at the time of his death. When the Williamstown National bank was founded he was prevailed upon to accept the presidency, which he held for four years and until the institution was firmly established.

Mr. Leake was a man of strong constitution and remained very active almost to the close of his life. Just before returning from New York he suffered a attack of heart failure and from that time he kept about and rode out for the last time last Friday. He was confined to his bed only on Saturday night and his death occurred at 1:30 o'clock Monday morning. His mind was clear to the last and his death was peaceful and painless.

While living in Troy Mr. Leake married Miss Caroline Richards of that city, who died in a few years. His second wife was Miss Ruth Sabin, daughter of the late Dr. Henry L. Sabin of Williamstown. A few years later Mrs. Leake died while traveling in France, and afterward Mr. Leake married her sister, Miss Elizabeth E. Sabin, who survives him. Besides his widow five children survive him: Charles R. Leake, Williams '77, of New York city; Mrs. Justin Kellogg of Troy, N. Y.; Richard R. Leake, Williams '79, of Albany, N. Y.; Miss Caroline Leake of Williamstown; and Dr. Henry S. Leake, Williams '87, of New York city. The funeral will be attended at the house Wednesday at 2 p. m.

## Amateur Pictures of Berkshire.

Lovers of fine art are to be given a treat on Thursday, Friday and Saturday afternoon and evenings when the Postal Photographic club exhibit their work for the benefit of the North Adams hospital; in this city. The Postal Photographic club has its origin in England and is an association of amateur photographers living in different states throughout the union. It has among its members some of the best photographers in the country, and some of the work done by the members are pronounced to be masterpieces.

The club has given exhibitions in several cities and the same pictures will be shown here that were shown at the recent very successful exhibit given in Washington, D. C. Some hundreds of pictures will be shown altogether and among them will be many beauty spots of "old Berkshire." These are, "A Mountain Road in Berkshire," "An evening in November," "A path by the River," "A Glimpse of Winter," "A Winter Idyl," "On the Green River near Williamstown," "A Birch Road," "The Berkshire in Winter," "Our Cook," "Grandma's Glasses," "Old Greylock," "A Bit of Nature," and several others by local artists who are members of the club, and through whose efforts the exhibit will be given here.

The exhibit will be under the management of the ladies of the North Adams Hospital and all proceeds will go for the benefit of that institution.

### Representative Districts.

The delegates from Berkshire county to the Republican representative convention next fall on the basis of the vote for governor at the last state election have been completed as follows:

District 1—Clarkeburg 2; North Adams, ward 1, 4; ward 2, 4; ward 3, 6; ward 4, 4; ward 5, 7; ward 6, 8; ward 7, 4; total, 37.

District 2—Williamstown 8; New Ashford, 1; Lanesboro, 2; Hancock, 2; Dalton, 8; total, 17.

District 3—Florida 1; Adams, 13; Savoy, 2; Cheshire, 3; Windsor, 2; total, 21.

District 4 (Pittsfield)—Ward 1, 5; ward 2, 8; ward 3, 6; ward 4, 8; ward 5, 5; ward 6, 5; ward 7, 8; total, 43.

District 5—Richmond, 2; West Stockbridge, 2; Lenox, 3; Washington, 1; Hinsdale, 3; Peru, 2; Becket, 2; total, 15.

District 6—Stockbridge, 5; Lee, 3; Tisbury, 2; Otis, 2; Sandisfield, 2; New Marlboro, 2; total, 19.

District 7—Alford, 1; Great Barrington, 10; Egremont, 3; Mount Washington, 1; Sheffield, 4; Monterey, 2; total, 21.

"The Fitchburg railroad will have on sale Tuesday, May 31, excursion tickets to North Adams including admission to Ringling Bros. circus. Tickets to be good on all regular trains of that day.

"Strawberry shortcake, with cream, at Howford's tonight and every night.

## FOUR YEAR-OLDS ELOPE.

Small Boy and Girl Run Away, and  
Found Seven Hours Later.

Mabel Wardwell and Clifford Hewitt, two little four years-old children, ran away from their homes near Clarkeburg, Monday morning, and were not found for some seven hours. They had wandered several miles, had all sorts of experience and been thoroughly soaked through by the rain.

They are cousins, and have played together a great deal. It is probable, therefore, that in their games they thought it would be very fine to see the world. Their absence was noticed about 9:30 in the morning, and in much alarm their parents started a search. This, however, led to find them.

Meanwhile the small boy and girl were going southward, and at noon had reached the school house near Southview cemetery. Here they were given some food, but they were unable to tell where they lived. Later they reached the cow farm where the girl was given some dry clothing, the couple having been out all the rain.

The police were notified from the post-room about 4:30 o'clock, and Truant Officer Whipple went down and brought the wandering couple back to the police station. The children were very tired when they were found, but were as independent as ever. The police had been informed of the absence of the children in home, and they were restored to their anxious parents with little delay.

### Death of Mrs. Smedley.

Mrs. Lucy Maria Smedley of Williamstown, died Monday evening in her 91st year. She suffered an attack of pneumonia last winter, but recovered and was in comfortable health for one of her years, until a few weeks ago, when a trouble of the neck developed. In spite of the prompt medical treatment it grew worse and on Sunday, May 8, Mrs. Smedley took her last breath. She faded rapidly from that time and it was plain that recovery was to be expected.

Mrs. Smedley was a native of this town and nearly all her long life was passed here. She was the daughter of Jonathan and Abigail Bridges and was born February 1808, on the farm in Riverside now occupied by Charles Bridges. When a young woman she was married to Dr. James Smedley of the town and with the exception of a few years spent in Western New York, they resided here to the end of their lives. Her husband died a number of years ago and since that time Mrs. Smedley had lived with her son on the homestead on South street. She was a kind-hearted and neighborly woman, whose quiet, industrious and peaceful life was a source of helpfulness and inspiration to her family and to all with whom she was associated as neighbor and friend. The blessings that came to her as received with a grateful heart and no more with Christian fortitude whatever of trial life brought to her. She had been a member of the Congregational church for many years and was strengthened and supported in all the trials of life by the Christian's filtering hope and trust. Her long life was filled with good work and she justly held a high place in the esteem of this community.

Mrs. Smedley was the mother of four sons and two daughters. Two of the sons are dead. Dr. Alvin Smedley died in Boston in 1872 and Edward died in the West some 25 years ago. The surviving children are Mrs. A. L. Perry and William H. Smedley of this town, James L., superintendent of the Matthews department store in Brooklyn, N. Y., and Mrs. Jonathan Wadham of Brookport, N. Y.

### Williams Track Team Captain.

The Williams college track athletic team met Monday afternoon and elected John Bray, 1900, captain for next year. He is the crack long distance runner of his college, having won the mile and two-mile run at Amherst in this spring's



CAPT. JOHN BRAY.

dual meet, while he took several prizes for Williams last year. At the Worcester meet last Saturday he failed to do much, and it is thought he was over-trained. He is 22 years old and lives at Middleport, N. Y.

### MAN AND WOMAN PLEAD GUILTY

On Serious Charge and are Sentenced to 60 Days. Many Other Cases.

In court this morning Robert Watson and Mrs. Bridget Manning pleaded guilty to lewd and lascivious conduct and were sentenced to 60 days in the house of correction.

Louis Magnagli was fined \$5 for assault and battery on Giovanni Milani. Matthew Conway, on a continued case for over driving a horse and false pretences, defaulted. Michael Cavanaugh was his bondsman. It is thought Conway did not understand the continuance and will be in court tomorrow morning.

Walker O'Brien for single sale had his case continued until May 28. Rafael De Falcon was fined \$50 for keeping a liquor nuisance and the case for illegal keeping was not pressed.

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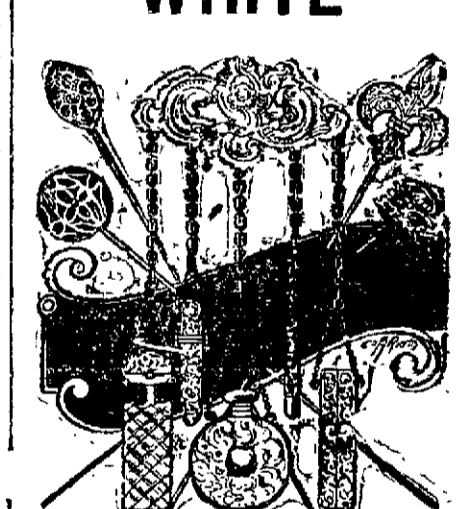
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